GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRICULTURE
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FISHERMEN FOUND MISSING DURING CYCLONE
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether a large number of fishermen have been found missing or dead due to cyclones in the country during the last three years and till date;

(b) if so, the details thereof State-wise;

(c) whether the meteorological department had forewarned such cyclones; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD Y. NAIK)

(a) & (b): As reported by the Governments of Gujarat and Orissa, more than 1200persons had died in the June, 1998 cyclone in Gujarat and about 10,000 persons had died in the 2 cyclones of October, 1999 in Orissa. Separate Figures of fishermen dead or missing in those cyclones are not available.

(c): Yes, Sir.

(d): Does not arise.